

# MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We're celebrating our family Christmas on Saturday, December 29. All 19 of us are enjoying the weekend together at our Moses McKay house on the NW edge of Caesar's Creek State Park in SW Ohio. Howard and I enjoy living in the house his g-g-g grandparents built in 1818. We have a one acre pond fed by twelve springs. Wednesday afternoons during the summer we invite family, friends and guests to swim with us. We supply life jackets for those under 18 and over 65.



H batted .621 on an Age 70 World Championship softball team, one of six he played on this year. In addition to doing consulting, and writing for farm magazines, H is writing stories for the 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of Jonah's Run Baptist Church by his ancestors. Barbara serves as president of OSU Mortar Board Alumni Council and on the Warren County Arts Council. She participates in PEO, Book Club, Missionary Circle and as a Deacon.

David/Cindi are still in Detroit. Ashlee (new M.Ed.) and Drew (here with Francie) are working in Chicago. Adam just finished 5 months in Mexico at a Ford

plant. Dan/Melody live in Raleigh. Dan commutes to Cincinnati. Son Jim will finish OSU business school this spring, in 3 years; Feb 8-10 he'll participate in the Doster Leadership Conference in Indy for the top 100 Purdue Management School students, where B will again give the opening motivation speech. Bill interned in Tokyo last summer and will begin his junior year at Barton College in January. Lizzie is a busy HS junior with a role in "Godspell" this spring. She was "Lauri" in "Oklahoma" last spring, and was a missionary in Beijing last summer.

Susan is teaching art in Lafayette, including as an adjunct at Ivy Tech Community College. Rick is building her an art studio. Susan accepts commissions for representational paintings, drawings and sculptures.

Anne and Travis live just down the road from us. Anne home schools their two sons. Nate concentrated on scouts and earned his Eagle rank this year. At the Ohio State Fair, Eric won 4-H championships in Bees and Small Engines; his photo of Barbara "Layers of Life" is still on display at OSU. What a happy celebration! We invite you to stop and visit anytime!



*Barb and Howard*